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SUBJECT: THAI AVIATION DETACHMENT AT UNC (REAR)

1. BRITISH AMBASSADOR INFORMED ME TODAY THAT DECISION
HAD BEEN MADE AT "OFFICIAL LEVEL" IN FOREIGN OFFICE TO
RECOMMEND TO UK MINISTER OF DEFENSE ASSIGNMENT OF TWO
MILITARY PERSONNEL TO REPLACE THAI DETACHMENT IN JAPAN.
ACCORDING BATES BRITISH ARE STILL TALKING TO OTHER COMMONWEALTH
MEMBERS ABOUT POSSIBILITY SENDING PERSONNEL; APPARENTLY
THERE IS LITTLE HOPE NEW ZEALANDERS OR CANADIANS WILL DO SO
BUT SOME CHANCE AUSTRALIANS MAY. BATES DID NOT KNOW WHEN DEFENSE
MINISTER WOULD MAKE FINAL DECISION BUT SAID BRITISH FULLY
AWARE TIME PRESSURES INVOLVED. HE SAID THERE WAS NOTHING HE
COULD DO HERE IN SEOUL ABOUT ASSIGNMENT OF PERSONNEL, EITHER
TEMPORARILY OR PERMANENTLY UNTIL DEFENSE MINISTER IN LONDON
HAD MADE DECISION.
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